

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)	
	Byron G. Merrell et al.	)	
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Serial No.	10/767,871	)	1764
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Filing Date:	January 29, 2004	)	
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Confirmation No.:	4119	)	
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For:	RETORT HEATING APPARATUS AND	)	
	METHODS OF USE	)	
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Examiner:	Alexis A. Wachtel	)	

AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE UNDER 37CFR 1.312

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Examiner:

In response to the Notice of Allowance of September 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.